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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): MIYAMOTO, et al  
Serial No.: 09/960,366  
Filed: September 24, 2001  
For: INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM AND INFORMATION  
RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS USING THE  
SAME  
Group: 1756  
Examiner: M. Angebranndt

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 14, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 22, 2003, please amend the  
above-identified application as set forth herein. This paper includes the following  
items:

**Amendment to the Claims; and**

**Remarks.**